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SOCIAL STUDIES

The children in Elementary 2 have been using the book, Your Town and Mine, for their Social Studies. The first unit introduces different kinds communities. To add interest to the unit, they are also working in crafts and library to learn more about what goes into a community. Each child designed a model city and constructed it from scrap materials found in the craft room. Mrs. Frey is adding a house or store or building to her city-country-layout in the library as the children report to her after reading a library book on some phase of community living.

DEAF-BLIND CLASS NEWS

Keith Drane and Linda Kates

On October 16, 1974, our deaf-blind class went to Fegenbush Orchards. We picked apples from the apple trees. When we got back to school, we cooked the apples and made applesauce.

Mrs. Fegenbush was very nice to us and told us that we could go to their pumpkin patch. On October 24, we went to the pumpkin patch and picked pumpkins off of the vine. We carved the pumpkins for Halloween.

H E I D I

The Primary, Elementary and Junior High classes were guests of Children's Theater on October 25, at its production of Heidi, a play written by Lucille Miller, based on a book by Johanne Spyri.

Heidi is the story of an orphaned child who is brought to live with her grandfather in the Swiss Alps. The Almost Uncle, her grandfather, has shut himself away from the world by living high up in the Alps. The child, Heidi, warms the heart of the stern grandfather and she comes to love life of Grandfather, Peter, the goats, the flowers, and trees.

Heidi's Aunt Dete takes Heidi from Grandfather to serve as a companion to a crippled child, Clara, who lives in the large city of Frankfort.

After much unhappiness in Frankfort, Heidi is allowed to return to her beloved mountains. Clara soon visits her there and learns to walk when her wheel-chair is "blown" off a mountain ledge.

The children enjoyed the abbreviated version of Heidi--especially the performance of Heidi, the Grandfather, and Clara.

NEWS FROM THE ARTS AND CRAFTS ROOM

This year the elementary students have crafts twice a week, and primary students have crafts every day. We have fun creating projects that either Miss Flowers or the students suggest. We have worked with different media such as paper, clay, plaster of paris, weaving materials, and crayons or paints.

NEWS NOTES

The 12th grade will sell teflon treated oven mittens between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

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Mrs. Rita Fisher has recently returned to school after surgery. We are very happy to see her back.

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Recently some of our high school students attended a class in oral interpretation at Atherton High School. The experience of seeing how this kind of class was run and experience in public speaking was good for the students. Those who wanted to participate in the class did so. We enjoyed meeting the students from Atherton.

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Many of the blind people in the state know and love Miss Edith Ries. We were pleased when we learned that she was going to take a three week trip to Europe.

Unfortunately, while she was there, she fell and broke her foot. We regret her misfortune since she had looked forward to the trip with such enthusiasm. We hope that she will be able to go another time.

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On Thursday night, October 10, at 7:30 P.M., in the Gregory Gym, the Youth Choir from the Westport Road Baptist Church presented a musical "It's Cool in the Furnace".

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This year the library has moved the current magazines to the shelves between the windows in the study hall. Three

Our first assembly this year was held on October 8, in the Gregory Gym. New titles have been added, Good Housekeeping, on record, Women And Sports, in print, and Sports Illustrated, in print.

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Our first assembly this year was held on October 8, in the Gregory Gym. It was a very enjoyable program given by the music department. The chorus sang and other children played solos on their instruments. We appreciate all the work and effort that went into making this assembly possible.

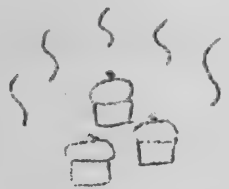
PARTY TIME IN OCTOBER

A group of square dancers from various square dance clubs here in the city, came out and led a large group of students and staff members in an "Old-Fashioned" square dance. This dance was held in the Gregory Gym, Thursday night, October 24. Everyone who attended seemed to really be in the spirit for

the "Virginia Reel" and other dances which were taught. Everyone had a wonderful time.

We had everything from clowns to ghosts at our annual Halloween Party, held Saturday night, October 26, in the Gregory Gym. Three contests were held. The first one for best boy's and girl's costume. They were won by George Bouquet and Theresa Ridner respectively. The other two were dance contests. The fast dance contest was won by Dorothy Eubanks and Cliff Townsley. The slow dance contest was won by Virginia Madden and Randall Haycraft.

Mary Smith, who sponsored the party, did an excellent job planning it.



HOME EC. NEWS



Sweet Potato Fluff

2 c. cooked sweet potato
 1/2 c. melted margarine
 1/2 c. brown sugar

1/2 c. granulated sugar

3 eggs

1 small can evaporated milk

The juice and grated rind of 1 orange

Small can of Angel Flake coconut

1 1/2 c. miniature marshmallows

1/2 c. chopped nuts

Peel and slice sweet potatoes, add margarine, sugars, eggs, milk, orange and rind. Beat with electric mixer until fluffy, add remaining ingredients; mix well. Pour into greased baking dish. Bake in preheated 350 degrees oven for 45 minutes. Yields 8 to 9 servings.

THE SUZUKI PROGRAM

The Suzuki violin program has expanded to thirty-five boys and girls this year. Ten beginners are doing very well.

Ricky Beavers, Dwayne Moore, Mike Breeden, Karen Stacy, Mary Hollon, Missy Evans, and Shelbie Caldwell participated in a "Play-In" September 15 at the University of Louisville Shelby Campus.

Barbara Martin, Karen Stacy, David Greer, Charlie Wooten, Andy Fannin, Dwayne Moore and Mary Hollon joined with five students from the University of Louisville program, in presenting a program for the Masonic Convention on September 16 at the Ramada Inn on Hurstbourne Lane.

On October 18, Barbara Martin, Tracy Son, Darlene Runyon, David Greer, Chucky Runyon and Chris Meckle, along with two clarinet students, Raymond Martin and David Jackson presented a program for the Louisville Music teachers at Hasenour's Restaurant.

On November 1st, Mr. Bill Starr, head of the string department at the University of Tennessee will lead in a workshop for about 27 of our Suzuki students on our campus. Mr. Starr is one of the pioneers of the Suzuki violin program in America. Mr. Starr will direct a workshop on the University of Louisville campus during the weekend.

Barbara Martin, Karen Stacy and Andy Fannin attend Talent Education classes at

University of Louisville on Saturday. Karen and Barbara auditioned for scholarships in the spring and both were given scholarships for the Talent Education classes.

David Jackson is beginning his 4th year of piano at University of Louisville. David has been a scholarship recipient for 4 years.

Scheduled Programs in November for Suzuki Students:

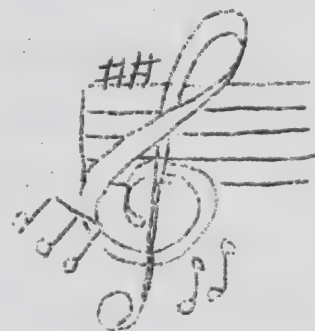
- November 5 Strathmoor Presbyterian Church
- November 6 St. Francis in The Field School
- November 18 Reception for Royal Arts Masons

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PARENTS

If your child is taking violin at school, your child needs a cassette tape recorder at home on the weekends and nights if a day student. One of the most important parts of the Suzuki program is listening. When your child has a tape

recorder at home - he will be given a tape. The tape contains songs that he will be learning. The tape should be played as much as possible every day and night. Bath time, playtime, mealtime is a good time to play the tape. He doesn't have to sit down and listen - just keep the tape playing as much as possible - we'll see amazing results.

MUSIC CONCERT
by
Valerie Evans



On Thursday, October 24, six music students and three faculty members went to the Baptist Seminary to hear music presented by the Chamber Music Society.

The first piece was a Mozart quartet performed by Mr. McHugh-violin, Mr. Mester-viola, and Miss Hicks-cello.

The second selection, A SHEPHERD ON THE ROCK, was by Schubert and featured Mrs. Mester-soprano.

Concluding the program was James Livingston playing clarinet in a trio with piano and violin performing a Bartok composition. Everyone enjoyed it very much.



TUNING DEPARTMENT

by

James Scoggins

On October 28, Don Hill, Eddie Jones, Steve Robins, Tom Morton, and I, along with two former students, Ron Cook and Tom Scoggins, joined a group of Piano Technicians' Guild members to go to the Kimball Piano Manufacturing Company in French Lick, Indiana. The tour, lunch, and meetings began at 9:00 in the morning and lasted until 5:30 in the afternoon.

Kimball is the most mechanized operation I have ever seen. With a work force of four hundred, they make about two hundred piano per day. The piano is started at one end of the assembly line with just the back frame.

As it moves along, the different parts are added in this order: Soundboard,, bridges, plate, plate felts, and bridge pins. The pin block is then bored; the tuning pins are driven in one inch; the back is strung; the coils are straightened and tightened, the pins set to the proper depth and chipped. (Chipping is plucking the string and tuning it.) The case is put on the back and the action installed, the dampers and hammers are put on, the key frame and keys are put on and regulated. The action is regulated; the piano is tuned, and the tone regulated or voiced. It is then cleaned and inspected. The trimming is put on just before the final inspection. The piano is now ready to be boxed or crated and shipped out in trailors. The cases are made in Jasper, Indiana and brought to French Lick where the piano is put together. Kimball is the largest producer of pianos in the United States, exceeded only in size by the Japanese. Barry Cooper,

a former K.S.B. student, is chipping for Kimbell. I asked him how many backs he could do in a day, and he replied, "Oh, fifty or sixty per day." We gained a better understanding of how pianos are made, and how the manufacturing routine differs from their maintenance and repair. We want to thank everyone involved at Kimbell for the lunch, tour, and hospitality. It was fun.

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The Mobility Department developed new Student Travel Permission forms this fall. Each student from Merwin Cottage, Huntoon House and day students of the same age has been evaluated. Copies of the individual forms are on file in the cottages, Mr. Oaks' office, Mrs. Wommack's office and the mobility office.

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND STUDENT TRAVEL PERMISSION

CLASSIFICATIONS

- I. SIGHTED GUIDE is a student with sufficient vision and orientation and mobility skills to travel independently. This student is also responsible enough to assist one other person in off campus travel.
- II. INDEPENDENT TRAVELER is a student with sufficient vision and orientation and mobility skills to travel off campus without a cane. These students may not serve as sighted guides.
- III. INDEPENDENT CANE TRAVLER is a student who has mastered sufficient orientation and mobility skills to travel off campus.

IV. DEPENDENT TRAVELER is a student who needs a sighted guide for off campus travel.

The above apply only to travel areas indicated on the student travel permission. There may also be individual restrictions in these classifications.

Classification is subject to continual review. Any observed travel behavior which is hazardous either to the student or to others will result in immediate review of classification and related privileges.

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
STUDENT TRAVEL PERMISSION

NAME _____ EXPIRES _____

CLASSIFICATIONS

____ Sighted Guide ____ Daytime Only

____ Cane Required at Night

____ Independent Cane Traveler

____ Dependent Traveler

TRAVEL AREAS

____ CAMPUS

____ Kentucky Industries for the Blind/
Rehabilitation Center

____ American Printing House

____ NEIGHBORHOOD

____ North side of Frankfort from Vernon
to Pope

____ North and South sides of Frankfort
from Clifton to Mellwood

____ South side of Brownsboro Road
(Jerry's and Shopping Center)

____ DOWNTOWN

____ PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

____ UNLIMITED

COMMENTS

MOBILITY INSTRUCTOR _____ DATE _____

INITIATIVE AND PRIDE

For this issue of the Kentucky Colonel I have chosen initiative and pride as your first responsibilities as students, because initiative means the first step, and I truly believe that in order for any of us to acquire a reasonable degree of education, we must take the initial or first step by revealing a desire to permit ourselves to be taught by those who are older and much wiser, and are trained to carry out this important phase of education.

As for "Pride," I grant that it is such a small word, but a small word with an awfully big meaning. Pride means, a sense of personal dignity in ourselves and the things we do. To illustrate your responsibilities as students in so far as pride and initiative are concerned, I have chosen to use an example involving two students. One I shall call, "Harry " and

the other, "John". The examples I am about to give will help you to turn the mirror upon your own habits and attitudes towards school work and aid you in determining whether or not you are accepting or neglecting your responsibilities.

Harry is the mind-wandering type. His thoughts are frequently far away in what seems to him to be brighter fields than today's lesson. He has ability, but never tries to measure up to it, never studies hard, and his interest in the recitation centers chiefly on his chances of not being called upon to recite. When the assignment for the next day's lesson is made, Harry gives only token attention, taking the attitude that he'll check up on it later with some other member of the class. Often he lets the matter slide by entirely, and comes to class the next day totally unprepared. He is wasteful of time during study periods. He invents excuses to avoid work. He is too tired, or he has a headache, and

his friends find it easy to persuade him to accept a "do nothing" attitude.

When, and if he does sit down to study, he fusses about getting started. When he comes to a difficult part of the lesson he gets up to get a drink of water or aimlessly walks around. Enroute he stops to chat with fellow students or to listen to the radio even if it is prohibited. When he does get back to work he has lost the thread of thought and fusses some more. After a little half-hearted work he persuades himself that he is too tired to finish the assignment. He frequently boasts to his fellow pupils about how little he studies, and ridicules those students who work earnestly. He thus influences others to take an indifferent attitude toward school.

Whenever a paper is to be written or a book report turned in, he thinks about getting started, but always there is something more important to do, as he sees it. So the day comes when he

must rush through the assignment carelessly or borrow liberally from a classmate and so to laziness and indifference he adds deceit. He becomes a learning parasite, living on the hard work of others.

John is alert in class and fixes his attention upon the entire discussion. He hears every question, every explanation, and every answer given. He knows that he is in school to learn all that he possibly can so that he may live an independent life as an adult. He realizes that he has a responsibility to himself, his parents, his teachers, and many others who are making his chance for an education possible.

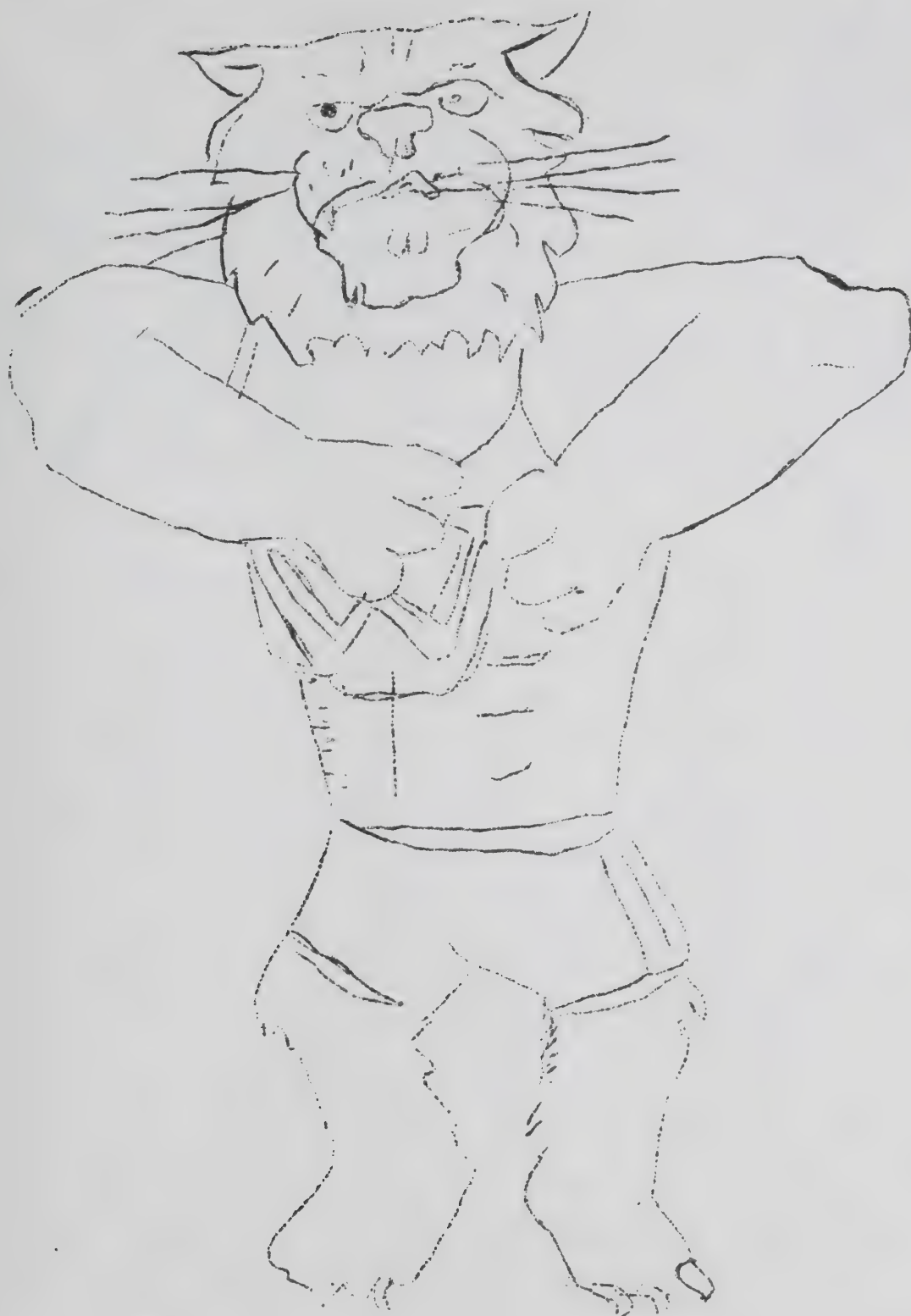
If something is not clear to him, he asks for further information. He does not have to go to his classmates later to find out what is to be done. At home or in the cottage he works efficiently and keeps interruptions to a minimum. John budgets his time to make sure each assignment is completed. The time he must spend on his assignments is not given grudgingly. He has accepted

one very fundamental rule, that school work is for his own training and growth. He realizes that he must always do his best, and that he must not blame his teachers or schoolmates whenever he fails to measure up to his capabilities. He knows that his purpose for being in school is to search for knowledge, not excuses. There is no doubt that John is well on his way to becoming a useful and responsible citizen.

GIRL'S TRACK NEWS

Five teams composed the first girl's regional track meet held in Michigan this year. Kentucky ranked fourth. Keeping in mind that this was the first of these meets for the girl's we were very pleased with our standing. Next year we hope to compete in the NCASB division for girl's.

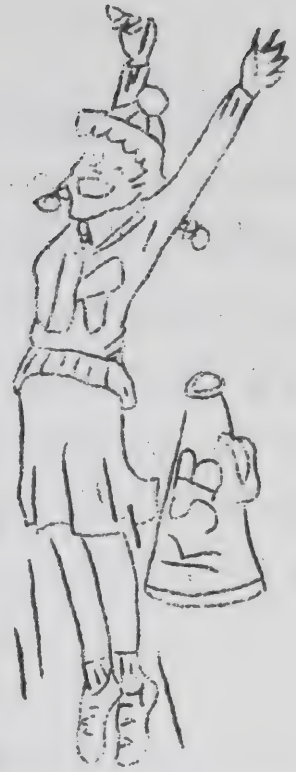
The scores were; Michigan, 102; Indiana, 98; Ohio, 74; Kentucky 70 1/2; Wisconsin, 27.



GO CATS!

CHEERLEADERS

Monday, October 14, during an all school assembly, the 1974-75 cheerleaders were elected. The girls were judged by twelve staff members. Seven girls were chosen. They were Shirley Cain, Karen Deaton, Virginia Madden, Theresa Ridner, Wanda Ward, and two new girls on the squad, Mary Barnes and Faye Cain. They are doing an excellent job. Karen Deaton and Virginia Madden were elected Co-Captains by the cheerleaders. Five of the girls who tried out for the squad this year attended NCA Camp this past summer. During their four days there, the girls received numerous awards, including the most coveted of all awards presented, the "Red, White and Blue Spirit Stick." The awards they earned at camp during evaluation are now in the trophy case in the new gym.

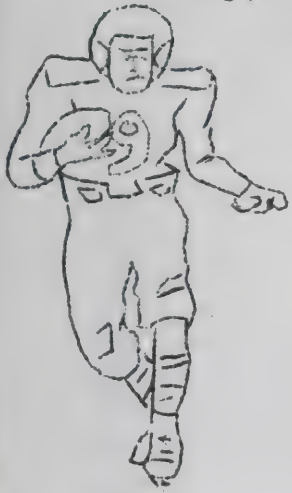


The newly elected cheerleaders are planning various activities for both staff and students to join in to help boost our GREAT WILDCATS all the way to the top. Please come out this year and get involved in "school spirit." It is going to be a good year.

WRESTLING

Wrestling season began on October 28, 1974. There were 13 boys to try out for the team this year. They were Richard Barnhart, Doug Keathley, Scott Townsley, Mike Ward, Jerry Wheatley, Danny Beemer, John Stivers, David Raynes, Kenny Jennings, Kenneth Jones, Randall Haycraft, Billy Wright and Don Hill. The managers are Don Young and Tom Liggett. We expect to have a good team this year. Come out and support our great wrestlers! Here is our wrestling schedule for this year.

ANNUAL NATIONAL FOOTBALL PREDICTION CONTEST. FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED CHILDREN



Dr. Charles Buell initiated the contest some twenty-five years ago. This is the first year KSB has participated.

The contest runs for eight straight weeks beginning on

September 22, 1974 and ending

on November 16, 1974. It creates a lot of fun, and at the same time knowledge of college football is acquired. The contest is for boys and girls and works as follows: There are twenty games listed on slips for each week. Students mark out the teams expected to lose. One point is given for each game correctly predicted or if the game results in a tie one point is given. In case a tie should result, the total combined score of the first game is also given. The person closest to that score wins the tie.

Each week we give prizes for the top five, a silver dollar for first place, and a candy bar for the next four places.

KENTUCKY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND 1974-75 WRESTLING SCHEDULE

Date	School	Place	Weight-In	Match Times
<u>NOVEMBER</u>				
Tuesday 19	Moore	There	6:30	7:00
Thursday 21	Durrett	There	6:30	7:00
Tuesday 26	Trinity	Home	3:30	4:00
<u>DECEMBER</u>				
Tuesday 3	Ballard	Home	6:00	6:30
Thursday 5	St. Xavier	There	6:30	7:00
Tuesday 10	Eastern	Home	6:00	6:30
Friday 13,	White Cane Wrestling Tournament (Four-Way) Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio Held at I.B.S.S.S.; Jacksonville, Illinois			
Saturday 14,				
Sunday 15				

JANUARY

Friday 10, Quadrangular Wrestling Tournament
Saturday 11, Alabama, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee
Sunday 12, Held at A.S.B.; Talladega, Alabama
Thursday 16, Seneca There 6:30 7:00
Thursday 23, 19th Annual N.C.A.A.S.B. (North Central
Association of Schools for the Blind)
Friday 24, Wrestling Tournament and Cheerleading
Saturday 25, Competition. Held at W.S.V.H.;
Sunday 26, Janesville, Wisconsin

Tuesday 28 Westport There 6:30 7:00

FEBRUARY

Friday 7, Regional Wrestling Tournament
(Central Jefferson County Region)
Saturday 8 Held at Kentucky School for the Blind
Friday 14, State Championship Wrestling Tournament
Saturday 15 Held at Atherton High School
Louisville, Kentucky

At the end of the eight weeks, the top five predictors for the season will also receive prizes. The first prize is a record album of that student's choice, and a 45 rpm record of your choice goes to the next four places. In addition to that, the top two predictors for the season will have their names mentioned in the braille and large type edition of Teen-Time. In the seasonal contest, a student is permitted to miss only one week. A score of ten is given for the week missed. Students are encouraged to enter the weekly contests, even if they have dropped out of the seasonal competition. They still can win weekly prizes, and learn about college football. Thanks to Dr. Buell, we are enjoying the contest very much.

20TH ANNUAL NCASB TRACK TOURNAMENT

Ten out of the twenty NCASB schools participated in the tournament at the Ohio School for the Blind on October 12.



The two schools who did not come were Iowa and South Dakota. It was run smoothly and efficiently, and we had a beautiful sunny day. The track facility was not the best, but the performances of the athletes was exceptional. Five NCASB records were broken.

As for the KSB track team, our performance was very good and much better than it had been in the past. Being the young team that we are, one of the smaller schools in the conference, and a team that has not scored a point in the track conference in the past three years, we faired pretty well. Our team consisted of the following boys: Co-captains Richard Barnhart and Doug Keathley, Scott Townsley, Mike Ward, Jerry Wheatley,

Danny Beemer, Kenneth Jones, Ray Martin, and Leslie Riggs. Our efforts in practice gave us the rewards we deserved, and we will be a stronger team next year.

Richard Barnhart and Doug Keathley did outstanding jobs in scoring all KSB team points, 22 and 2 respectively. Richard had three thirds and a fourth place, and Doug had two sixth places.

PLAY DAY

Rhonda Spurlock--Grade 11

Play Day was held at the Minnesota School for the Blind on the weekend of October 5. The girls selected to go from KSB were Karen Deaton, Linda Haeberlin, Karen Pickard, Rhonda Spurlock and Wanda Ward.

Friday night each school presented a skit. The hosting school, Minnesota, received the prize for first place. Saturday morning we played several games including the annual tug-of-war. South Dakota was the winner with Kentucky coming in sixth. That

afternoon everybody went roller skating and swimming. Saturday night all participants were invited to a banquet at a restaurant in downtown Minnesota. It was a nice way to end the weekend.

P. T. A. NEWS

The P.T.A. met on Sunday October 20 at 2 o'clock. Jim Richardson talked about his counseling - guidance program; Linda Kates explained the Deaf - Blind program; Richard McDowell told about vocational education and student employment; Louella McDowell explained the team - teaching approach in the primary class; and Betty Wommack talked about new teaching programs.

The other items discussed were:

1. A crafts workshop for parents and teachers will be held once a month to make items to sell at the spring festival.
2. "Santa's Workshop" will be open in December for the children to purchase gifts for their family and friends.

3. A pastry bingo will be held in February or March.
4. We will save Colgate labels to be traded for cash. Send yours to the school in care of the P.T.A.
5. Membership dues are still one dollar per parent.

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